

COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Health and Provider Services, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 150, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new
2 paragraph and insert:
3 "SECTION 1. IC 25-27-1-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
4 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 1. For the purposes of
5 this chapter:
6 (1) "Physical therapy" means the evaluation of, administration of,
7 or instruction in physical rehabilitative and habilitative
8 techniques, and procedures to evaluate, prevent, correct, treat,
9 alleviate, and limit physical disability, pathokinesiological
10 function, bodily malfunction, pain from injury, disease, and any
11 other physical disability, ~~or mental disorder~~, including:
12 (A) the use of physical measures, agents, and devices for
13 preventive and therapeutic purposes;
14 (B) neurodevelopmental procedures;
15 (C) the performance, interpretation, and evaluation of physical
16 therapy tests and measurements; and
17 (D) the provision of consultative, educational, and other
18 advisory services for the purpose of preventing or reducing the
19 incidence and severity of physical disability, bodily
20 malfunction, and pain.
21 (2) "Physical therapist" means a person who practices physical

- 1 therapy as defined in this chapter.
- 2 (3) "Physical therapist's assistant" means a person who assists in
- 3 the practice of physical therapy as defined in this chapter.
- 4 (4) "Board" refers to the medical licensing board.
- 5 (5) "Committee" refers to the Indiana physical therapy committee
- 6 established under section 4 of this chapter.
- 7 (6) "Person" means an individual.
- 8 **(7) "Sharp debridement" means the removal of foreign**
- 9 **material or dead tissue from or around a wound, without**
- 10 **anesthesia and with generally no bleeding, through the use of:**
- 11 **(A) a sterile scalpel;**
- 12 **(B) scissors;**
- 13 **(C) forceps;**
- 14 **(D) tweezers; or**
- 15 **(E) other sharp medical instruments;**
- 16 **in order to expose healthy tissue, prevent infection, and**
- 17 **promote healing."**
- 18 Page 2, line 33, after "evaluate" insert ", but may not treat,".
- 19 Page 3, line 3, delete "six (6)" and insert "**three (3)**".
- 20 Page 3, after line 8, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 21 "SECTION 4. IC 25-27-1-3.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
- 22 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 23 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: **Sec. 3.5. A physical therapist may not**
- 24 **perform sharp debridement unless the physical therapist**
- 25 **performing the sharp debridement is acting on the order of a**
- 26 **physician licensed under:**
- 27 **(1) IC 25-22.5; or**
- 28 **(2) IC 25-29."**
- 29 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
- (Reference is to SB 150 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass .

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 2.

Senator Miller, Chairperson